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## GROUP 3600

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In the Application of:** Guinan, Daniel

**Group Art Unit:** 3624

**Serial Number:** 09/575,088

**Examiner:** Wasylchak, S.

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**Title:** Multi-Party Electronic Transactions

Commissioner For Patents  
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### RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

The Applicant submits the following response to the Office Action mailed on August 26, 2004.

### PRELIMINARY REMARKS

On June 4, 2004, the Applicant submitted a Response to the Office Action mailed on May 4, 2004. Claims 44-61 were pending in the application. In the Response, applicants canceled claims 1-43, and add new claims 44-61. The response filed on June 4, 2004 has been found to be non-compliant with 37 C.F.R. 1.111 as dependency the of claims 45, 47 and 48 are incorrect. An Office Action seeking clarification was mailed on August 26, 2004. This Response is meant to correct the errors in the Response mailed on June 4, 2004.